Gloucester City News Obituaries
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Edwin Gramley Jr. (June 18th)

Edwin Craig Gramley Jr., 78, of Gloucester City passed away on Tuesday, May 19.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edward C. Gramley Sr. and Dorothy J. Gramley (nee Lawson); and his siblings Alice Pierce (Robert), John Gramley, Nancy Gramley and Dave Gramley (the late Ginny). Edwin is survived by his loving sister Dorothy Hancock (the late Rick); his brothers Mark Gramley (Vicki) and Roy Gramley (the late Sandra); and numerous nieces and nephews.

A carpenter by trade, "Craig" loved fishing and playing pool.

Relatives and friends attended his visitation at the Etherington & Creran Funeral Homes, Gloucester City, where his Funeral Service was celebrated. Interment was private.

Donations in his name can be made to the Inner City Baptist Church Mission Funds, 861 Princess Ave., Camden, NJ, 08101.

James Carr (June 18th)

James R. Carr, 91, of West Deptford, formerly of Gloucester City, passed away on June 4, 2026.

Born in Camden, Jim served in the U.S. Marine Corps and worked as an electrician at the Philadelphia Naval Yards for many years until retiring.He enjoyed going to the casinos and was a longtime member of the Townsend C. Young VFW Post 3620 and American Legion Post 135, both in Gloucester City.

Predeceased by his wife, Bertha E. (nee Dick) Jones-Carr, and his late children, Steven Carr and Diane Benner, Jim is survived by his son, James Carr, 13 grandchildren, numerous great-grandchildren and his step-children, Terry (nee Jones) and her husband, Brad Fithian. Jim was also predeceased by his step-children, Edward R. Benner and William Benner, and his brothers Jack, John and Martin.

Relatives and friends attended his Visitation in the McGee Celebration Etherington Funeral Home. Interment with U.S. Military Honors was at the Gloucester County Veterans Memorial Cemetery, Williamstown.

Patricia "Patti" Kropp (June 25th)

Patricia "Patti" Kropp (nee Gillespie) passed away on June 19 – leaving behind a legacy of kindness, dedication, and service to her community.

Born and raised in Gloucester City, New Jersey, Patti was the cherished daughter of Virginia Yuhas (nee Wrigley) and the late Charles Leo Gillespie III. She grew up surrounded by family, faith, and community spirit. Patti was an alumna of St. Mary's School, Class of 1988, and Gloucester Catholic High School, Class of 1992 – schools that helped shape the compassionate and determined woman she became. Patti was a dedicated member of St. Mary's Parish and devoted to the Catholic Faith.

After high school, Patti began her lifelong career in the Health Information Management Profession. For more than 30 years, she worked as a dedicated and respected medical coder. Patti was long-tenured in her last position with Encompass Health.Most recently, Patti was engaged in civic activities. She was elected to the Gloucester City RepublicanCommittee and the Camden County Republican Committee in 2024. In both the 2024 and 2025municipal elections, she ran for City Council. Though she did not win seats, she helped ignite renewedenergy and interest in local politics.

Above all, Patti's greatest joy was her family. She was the loving wife of 25 years to Rick Kropp, with whom she shared a life of devotion and partnership. She was a treasured sister to Samantha Hargraves and a devoted Aunt Patti to her nephew, Liam Elliott, who brought her endless joy and happiness. Patti's warmth, humor, unconditional love and unwavering loyalty touched those who have known her. Whether she was supporting her family, advocating for her community, or offering a comforting word, Patti embodied compassion and integrity in all she did.

She is survived by her husband Rick, loving mother Ginny Yuhas; stepfather Gary Yuhas; sister Samantha Hargraves (Joe), nephew Liam Elliott, Aunt Joann Wrigley; Uncle Mike Wrigley; Aunt Anne Palko; Uncle John Gillespie; Aunt Virginia Emerson; and many beloved cousins and in-laws. She is preceded in death by her devoted father Charles Leo Gillespie III ("Bub"), grandparents Charles Leo Gillespie II and Virginia Gillespie (nee White), and Elwood and Margarette Wrigley (nee MacAuliffe) and many aunts and uncles.

Patti's presence will be missed, but her spirit will continue to live on in the hearts of all who loved her. May she rest in eternal peace.

Relatives, friends and classmates attended Patti's Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary's Church, 426 Monmouth St., Gloucester City. Interment followed at Waterford Memorial Park, 629 Pestletown Rd., Waterford, NJ.

Afterwards, they attended her Celebration of Life at Gloucester City American Legion Post 135, 434 Cumberland St., Gloucester City.

In lieu of flowers please donate to the Gloucester City American Legion Veterans Housing fund.